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- "Embassy of El Salvador Statement: Congress and State Dept., El Salvador as an "anchor of stability" in Central America" (Thursday, February 17, 2011)

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## ***News release***

### **Embajada de El Salvador**

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## **Members of Congress and the Department of State view El Salvador as an "anchor of stability" in Central America**

Members of the House of Representatives of the United States and a senior State Department official described El Salvador as "an anchor of stability in Central America." The statements were given during a recent hearing of the Foreign Relations Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, held on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The hearing was entitled, "Does the U.S. have a Policy toward Latin America? Assessing the Impact to U.S. Interests and Allies?"

Subcommittee Ranking Member Congressman Eliot Engel (D-NY) acknowledged, "El Salvador in the eighties was a place of a terrible civil war, but the fight has been over for a long time and now the people live in a democracy (...) I attended the inauguration of the President (Mauricio Funes), and I am glad that our President (Obama) will be there to support him."

For his part, full Committee Ranking Member Congressman Howard Berman (D-CA) said that El Salvador has emerged as "an anchor of stability in the region." Berman went on to say that President Funes "deserves our support."

Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs, Arturo Valenzuela, agreed with Congressman Berman in identifying El Salvador's role as an "anchor" in the region. "El Salvador is important to our efforts in Central America on security matters and more broadly in our relationship with the region. Funes has done a very good job for the good of the citizens in a difficult situation," added Assistant Secretary Valenzuela.

The President of the United States, Barack Obama has scheduled a visit to El Salvador in March, as part of his first trip to Latin America. During the visit, he will meet with President Funes to discuss regional security, the fight against poverty and inequality, immigration, climate change and economic relations, among other topics.

The Foreign Minister of El Salvador, Hugo Martinez, said the comments made by Members of Congress and State Department officials at the hearing are recognition of the democratic transition that El Salvador has experienced since the signing of peace accords in 1992. Minister Martinez emphasized, "The successful change in power that came with the arrival to the Executive Branch by President Funes has re-launched our nation to the rest of the world. Now, El Salvador has a foreign policy without ideological ties, responsible and tries to benefit the vast majorities in El Salvador."



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Catherine Goode	2/17/2011	Email	Luis Alonso	Foreign Policy Correspondent	Associated Press	Press statement, "Members of Congress and the Department of States view El Salvador as an "anchor of stability" in Central America"	El Salvador Statement 2.17.11
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